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## FEDERAL GRANT OF ALMOST \$1.8 MILLION FUNDS OUTREACH EFFORT

Sora Tanjasiri (*right*), chair and professor of health science and director of Cal State Fullerton's Health Promotion Research Institute (HPRI), and Shari McMahan (*left*), deputy provost, want to broaden students' understanding of career options in the healthcare field, particularly in the field of allied health.

To help achieve this goal, they were recently awarded almost \$1.8 million from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration.

There is an increased demand for allied health professionals in such fields as physical and occupational therapy, communicative disorders, counseling, social work and public health (including environmental health specialists, epidemiologists, health educators and gerontologists).

The three-year grant will enable the North Orange County Allied and Other Health Careers Opportunity Program (NOCA HOCP) to increase outreach efforts to disadvantaged Latino, Pacific Islander and Southeast Asian students in north Orange County.

### **BIOCHEMIST EARNS NATIONAL HONOR FOR RESEARCH DISCOVERIES**



Cal State Fullerton chemistry and biochemistry professor Maria C. Linder has been named an American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow for her distinguished research discoveries on how copper and iron function in the body.

Election as an AAAS Fellow is an honor bestowed upon AAAS members by their peers, according to the association, which publishes the journal Science.

Linder is the recipient of numerous awards for her research and teaching, including the University's Outstanding Professor Award (1985); L. Donald Shields Excellence in Scholarship and Creativity Award (2013); and the California State University Wang Family Excellence Award (2007). She also directs the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) Undergraduate Research Scholars Program.



### CAL STATE FULLERTON HOLDS CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

The Campus Community gathered to hold a PeaceGiving vigil in light of the tragic attacks around the globe and in San Bernardino. "The work of making the world a better, safer place begins right here, on our campus," said President Mildred García in a message sent campus wide.



### COMBATING CYBERATTACKS: ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE CENTER FOSTERS EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND OUTREACH

Teaching students to combat security breaches and other threats and providing research experiences to prepare students for the workforce are on the horizon for Cal State Fullerton's new Center for Cybersecurity.

The Center, supported with seed money from Raytheon, will train the next generation of computer security specialists, said College of Engineering and Computer Science Dean Raman M. Unnikrishnan. He also noted that the demand for security expertise is growing, and by 2017, a shortage of about 2 million skilled information technology professionals is predicted.



### STUDENT WINS TOP HONORS FOR WORK ON SOLUTIONS TO ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

Cal State Fullerton biology graduate student Kevin Chiem is hoping to change what has become a major health problem: bacterial resistance to antibiotics.

For his work, Chiem won the Outstanding Graduate Research Award from the Southern California Branch of the American Society for Microbiology and bioMérieux, a multinational

biotechnology company. He was awarded a travel grant to present his research in June at the American Society for Microbiology national meeting in Boston.

### **COSTNER TO KEYNOTE JAN. 29 DINNER WITH THE TITANS**

Academy Award- and Emmy-winner and Cal State Fullerton graduate Kevin Costner will be the keynote speaker for baseball's 10th annual Dinner With the Titans fundraiser.

Costner is a longtime supporter of the Cal State Fullerton baseball program and graduated from CSUF with a bachelor's degree in business-marketing in 1978. He has won one Emmy, three Golden Globes and an Oscar for directing "Dances With Wolves," which also won the Oscar for Best Picture.

Registration for the Jan. 29 baseball program fundraising event is now open. The dinner will be held at the Irvine Marriott and serves as an opportunity for Titan fans to meet and mingle with the current team and coaches, as well as Titan greats from past seasons. Reservations begin at \$150 for individual tickets. For ticket information, visit fullertontitans.com/donate.



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# **Did You Know?**



The CSU 2010 study "Working for California: The Impact of the California State University" notes that Cal State Fullerton generates \$1 billion in economic activity annually, sustains more than 8,700 jobs in the region and generates more than \$65 million per year in state tax revenue.

■ For the fiscal year that ends June 30, 2016, the University's annual operating fund is almost \$370 million. Revenue includes tuition (51.5 percent), state allocation (42.5 percent), other receipts (3.4 percent) and non-resident fees (2.7 percent). Costs are salaries and benefits (71.6 percent), other operating costs (utilities, information technology, contractual services, supplies, services and other costs) (15 percent), and tuition discounts (13.4 percent).